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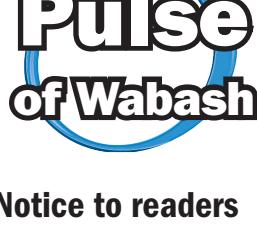


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'Explore Salamonie' hikes to be held monthly starting Saturday

Join Upper Wabash Interpretive Services for an "Explore Salamonie" hike at 5 p.m. Saturday, June 5 at Salamonie's Interpretive and Nature Center by 5 p.m. at 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Monthly hikes will be held at 5 p.m. during each month's first Saturday through September. Wear appropriate footwear, clothing and bring along your water bottle, sunscreen and bug spray. A set of binoculars or camera may come in handy. Each hike is open to the public and geared for families. Each hike will last approximately 45 minutes to an hour. Registration is requested by calling 260-468-2127. Property entrance fees of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle apply. State Park Annual Entrance Passes are available for purchase.

Salamonie and Mississinewa lakes to hold free fishing derbies

Children ages 2 to 14 and their adults are invited to Free Fishing Derbies at Salamonie and Mississinewa lakes on Saturday, June 5, which is an Indiana Free Fishing Day for all state residents. Youth age categories are 2 to 5; 6 to 10; and 11 to 14, with first-, second- and third-prize winners for the largest fish in each age category. Sign-in begins at 8:30 a.m. Rules and regulations will be announced at that time. Youth fishing time will be 9 to 10:30 a.m. An Adult Fishing Contest

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Possible tax change brings Ag pessimism

By ANDREW MACIEJEWSKI
Chronicle-Tribune Editor

Fears over taxation caused the Purdue Ag Economy Barometer, which measures farmer sentiment, to drop significantly last month, according to results released Tuesday.

Producers, including those in north central Indiana, were less optimistic about both the current and future conditions of the agricultural economy. The index for current conditions dropped 17 points and the future expectations poll dropped 20 points.

"The potential for chang-

ing tax rules and rising input costs appeared to be on producers' minds this month and were the primary drivers for the Ag Barometer's decline," said James Mintert, the barometer's principal investigator and director of Purdue University's Center for Commercial Agriculture.

More than 78 percent of respondents to the survey said they are very concerned that tax reforms "will make passing their farm on to the next generation more difficult," according to Purdue University reports. Purdue researchers say producers remain "very concerned" about changes to the estate

tax and capital gains taxes.

An index that measures farm financial performance declined this month from its record high in April. Farmers were less optimistic, by a decline of 10 points, but Purdue researchers say the results show that strong crop prices are continuing to support farm incomes since the diminished optimism still registered the index's second highest reading on record.

The overall reduction in farmer optimism resulted in producers saying they are expecting to reduce their machinery purchase and pause construction plans over the next year.

"Rising construction costs are likely a contributing factor to weaker construction plans," Mintert said.

This month's barometer included a new question looking into construction of new buildings and grain bins. More than half said their construction plans are lower than last year with only 28 percent saying their plans are nearly the same as 2020.

As for farmland values, U.S. farmers increased their optimism regarding whether they expect their farmland values to rise over the next five years. Producers remained "bullish" on cash rental rates. Two thirds of

corn and soybean growers said they expect next year's rates to rise, adding that a majority expect rates to rise by at least 10 percent.

Purdue researchers say a discrepancy between livestock and crop sectors is causing a marked shift in the perception of good versus bad times in U.S. agriculture. Only 27 percent of those polled in May said they expect good times in US agriculture, which is the lowest recorded rate on record.

"The difference in expectations for these two principal sectors of the agricultural

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Temperatures and reading both on the rise

Local libraries welcome back patrons with summer reading programs and events

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

With the weather improving and COVID-19 restrictions easing, local libraries are seeing interest in their in-person summer reading programs on the rise.

At Wednesday's North Manchester Town Council meeting, North Manchester Public Library (NMPL) director Diane Randall said during their annual report that they were pleasantly surprised at the local response to the start of their annual program which began Tuesday, June 1.

Randall said after going virtual last year, the summer reading program participation in the library itself was approaching normal levels again this year.

WCPL

Wabash Carnegie Public Library (WCPL) community outreach coordinator Rachel Castle said they were also busy preparing for their summer reading program, which began Friday, June 4 "with incentives and programs for all ages throughout June and July."

Castle said the theme of this year's WCPL summer reading program is "Tails and Tales" and "will focus on beloved animals in literature and beyond."

Castle said WCPL readers of all ages can begin logging points their points by visiting www.wabashheads.readsquared.com or through the READSquared app on any mobile device.

"The staff at WCPL is happy to help, by phone or in person, anyone struggling with the online registration process," said Castle.

Castle said there are four reading groups in this year's program: pre-readers, for preschool age and younger; kids, for those in kindergarten through fifth grade; teens, for



Provided photo

The NMPL hasn't had in-person summer reading events since two years ago, in 2019, as shown here.

students in sixth through 12th grades; and adults, for those 18 years and older.

Castle said for pre-readers and kids, each minute read will count as a point. Teens and adults will earn points per page read, or minutes, in the case of audiobooks. Prizes will be awarded based on accumulating points, though point totals vary per age group. Teens will also win raffle entries for small prizes along the way.

"Incentives have always been fun motivators for everyone in this program," said Castle. "We've restructured our prizes a bit this year to add a more competitive element that, we believe, will create an additional spark of excitement."

Castle said one of the new features of the summer reading program this year is a prize for the reader in each age group that logs the highest number of points. The library

will also present one, all-ages grand prize this year, a one-year family pass to the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo.

Castle said in addition, the library will offer many programs throughout the summer. For children in fifth grade and younger, Mystery Maker Bags containing crafts and science experiments will be available every Tuesday and Friday. A special program will

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\$10K approved for new HCC adult education center

The school is required to raise 20 percent of the \$1 million federal grant

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

A new adult education center facility is one step closer to becoming a reality after a \$10,000 funding request was approved by the North Manchester Town Council's regular monthly board meeting on Wednesday.

The funding request was submitted by Heartland Career Center (HCC) principal Mark Hobbs who said they are working to raise the required 20 percent of their federal Economic Development Association (EDA) grant, totaling \$1 million.

"The more support that is raised will offset the amount that will be borrowed by our member school corporations," said Hobbs.

Grow Wabash County president and CEO Keith Gillenwater said they were

supporting this project, which would complete an expansion of the existing HCC facilities.

Hobbs said the goal of member schools - which includes Manchester Community Schools (MCS), MSD, Peru Community Schools, North Miami Community Schools and Wabash City Schools (WCS) - was to construct a 37,000 square foot building to create an adult education center "that will offer advanced manufacturing- and healthcare-related credentials."

"The facility will also be used by our high school students," said Hobbs.

Hobbs said MCS students make up 80 to 90 students each school year.

"The facility will be used to skill up students of all ages that will help attract business and industry to our region and county," said Hobbs.

Hobbs said they have currently raised \$930,000 of the \$1 million total.

"The contribution will be used to add to this total,"

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MCS looking to prepare students for 'Industry 4.0'

\$25K funding request will support automated manufacturing training

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

As the manufacturing industry becomes more and more automated, the skilled workforce needed for these technological advancements must be trained accordingly.

These societal shift has been disruptive, but Manchester Community Schools (MCS) is looking to meet this challenge head-on.

As a result, MCS superintendent Dr. Teresa Gremaux presented a \$25,000 funding request to the North Manchester Town Council during Wednesday's regular monthly board meeting.

Gremaux said the funds would be used towards the purchase of Smart Automation Certification Alliance

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\$1.2M bequest to provide scholarships at Manchester

Gerda W. Hoover, who died in 2019, published four books of poems and stories

By ANNE GREGORY

The widow of a 1947 Manchester graduate has left a \$1.2 million gift to the University in memory of her husband.

The Keith Kindell Hoover Memorial Scholarship Fund will provide scholarships to Manchester students at the direction of Gerda W. Hoover, who died in 2019.

Keith Hoover studied communication studies at Manchester and later earned a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Bethany Theological Seminary and a Ph.D. in psychology from Northwestern University.

While studying abroad at the University of Hamburg, Germany, Keith Hoover met Waltraud Gerda Wolff. The two married in 1952 and settled in Lombard, Ill., a suburb of Chicago.

Keith Hoover maintained a clinical psychology therapy practice and taught college-level classes. His passion was designing, building and flying radio-controlled model airplanes. He died in 2003.

Gerda became an American citizen and earned a master's degree in German literature from Northwestern. She taught high school and college German. A prolific writer, she published four books of poems and stories.

Leaving such a generous estate gift to his alma mater was a wonderful way for Gerda to honor Keith's memory,"

said Melanie Harmon, vice president for advancement at Manchester. "That legacy is now part of Manchester's endowment and it will help educate students for generations to come."

Gifts to an endowment fund are permanently invested to supply a steady, annual source of funds for an enduring impact. Many donors choose to create a fund in honor of a loved one – to commemorate a family legacy or an individual.

An endowment can be restricted for particular purposes or unrestricted, at the request of the donor.

For information about creating an endowment, call the Office of Advancement at 260-982-5412.

Anne Gregory is the assistant director of media relations in the Office of Strategic Communications at Manchester University.

SHS ANNOUNCES FOURTH QUARTER HONOR ROLLS

Southwood Jr./Sr. High School recently announced its honor roll lists for the fourth quarter of the 2020-2021 school year, according to a press release.

Wyatt. Allie Haecker, Logan Hiner, Hayden Jones, Ethan Lochard, Kaylee Nelson, Kalen Parke, Bryce Rigney, Izabelle Wagoner, Will Winer and Caleb Wyatt.

12th grade: Maggie Ball, Emily Devore, Natalie Haycraft, Connor Rich and Braden Sweet.

'A/B' Honor Roll

Ninth grade: Isabelle Ashba, Naomi Davis, Mylah Dillon, Keaton Frieden, Mazie Ghrist, Brody Height, Nolan Hiner, Danika Holbrook, Coan Holloway, Fritz Kirk, Rachel Lawson, Emily Lochard, Maddox Marshall, Victor Mondragon, Logan Moore, Payton Nelson, Ryan Nelson, Autumn Rasmussen, Wyatt Smith, Olivia Snow, Sophia Temple and Bryce Wilcox.

Eighth grade: Luke Andrews, Audrey Ball, Elijah Boone, Aaliyah Bussard, Taylor Cavins, Cherish Dillon, Hannah Garrison, Isabella Knote, Hope Niccum, Morgan Powell, Makenna Snow, Duke Sparks, Lydia Topliff, Ian Vanderpool, Ryley Wilcox and Audri Winer.

Ninth grade: Audrey Amos, Macy Barney, Ashley Benavidez, Casey Boardman, Madis-Anne Culver, Derek Deeter, Jaret Denney, Abigail Guyer, Yentes.

10th grade: Elise Adams, Bryn Mealy, Katelyn Ranck, Kyle Smith, Dakota Wilson and Alaina Winer.

11th grade: Joseph Bland, Mya Denney, Madison Hipskind, Haley Lanning and Bailey

10th grade: Abigail Campbell, Ella Haupert, Zebadiah Herring, Allianah Lopez, Dylan Stout, Aleia Sweet, Jack Trudell and Anthony Veals.

11th grade: Rylee Barney, Maddison Hunter, Beau Kendall, Makennie Lambert, Stephen Madaris, Marissa Metzger, Jared Richards, Trista Roser, Adam Seacott, Brayden Smith, Ashton Steel, Alison Swain, Amelia Sweet, Kloe Teulker and Tyler Whitesel.

12th grade: Logan Barley, Thomas Charles, Skyler Claussen, Olivia Cummins, Isobel Davis, Aaliyah Douglass, Jack Guyer, Tristin Hayslett, Monica Hobson, Marissa Jones, Homero Lopez, Erin McGouldrick, Kylie Ray, Shantel Reecer-Crabtree, Zachary Roudebush, Madison Snyder, Elijah Sutton, Brecklynne Swisher, Paige Wood and Mason Yentes.

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Sunny 86 / 63	Partly Cloudy 85 / 66	Scattered T-storms 83 / 68	Few Showers 82 / 69	Scattered T-storms 84 / 67
Sun and Moon				
Today's sunset 9:07 p.m. Tomorrow's sunrise 6:16 a.m.				
 New 6/10	 First 6/17	 Full 6/24	 Last 7/1	

Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see sunny skies, high of 86°, humidity of 44%. South southwest wind 3 to 10 mph. Expect mostly clear skies tonight, overnight low of 63°. South southwest wind 2 to 9 mph. Sunday, skies will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high of 85°, humidity of 49%.

Working to save a few friendless U.K. churches

The structure of St. Baglan's Church in North Wales is simple, with plastered stone walls and whitewashed timbers between the slate slabs of its roof and floor.

The 13th-century sanctuary was rebuilt in the 1800s, but the carved doorway lintel dates from the 5th or 6th century. An adjacent field contains the 7th-century well of St. Baglan, and for ages, the faithful sought healing in its waters.

"This church was built on the site of an earlier church and there were sanctuaries here before that. People in Wales have been coming to sites like this for worship back into pre-Christian times," said Rachel Morley, director of the Friends of Friendless Churches since 2018.

During a visit to Llanfaglan parish in Wales, this tiny, abandoned sanctuary was surrounded by sea mists and low clouds from the mountains, she said. Then the sunset light over the Irish Sea "shot under the eaves and the church just lit up inside with golden light. It was a complete sensory overload. That had to mean something."

Was the church designed so that this light would illuminate the prayers of evensong? That's the kind of question members of the Friends of Friendless Churches have been asking since 1957, when Welsh journalist Ivor Bulmer-Thomas founded the charity with the help of poet T.S. Eliot, artist John Piper, British politician Roy Harris Jenkins and others.

The group's stated goal was to preserve historic, "significant" churches "threatened by demolition, decay, or inappropriate conversion." By the end of

Terry Mattingly



2021, the charity will control 60 churches in England and Wales, almost all of them Anglican sanctuaries.

Year after year, the Friends of Friendless Churches watch as 30 or so truly historic churches go on sale, and "there could be many more closed at any time," said Morley, reached by telephone.

Some of these threatened buildings, she said, "have been locked up, but they are in good enough shape that they can last another four or five years. ... We know that at some point we will have to step in and try to save as many as we can."

There is no way to save them all, since the Friends of Friendless Churches network has only 2,000 active members and 200 volunteers, who do hands-on work to keep these treasures safe and intact. The charity receives some funding in Wales through government cultural programs.

From the beginning, said Morley, the problem has been defining which sanctuaries are "significant" in terms of history, architecture, or priceless, sacred art. However, the charity also frames its work by quoting Bulmer-Thomas, who argued, "an ancient and beautiful church fulfills its primary function merely by existing. It is, in itself, and irrespective of the members using it, an act of worship. Their message is delivered – not for half hours on Sundays, but every hour of every day of every year, and not merely to those who enter, but to all who pass by."

Efforts to save these historic churches continue against the backdrop of another crisis, as attendance crashes in the Church of England and sister churches in Wales and Scotland. In 2018, only 12 percent of the population claimed to be active members, and the British Social Attitudes survey found that only about 1 percent of those aged 18 to 24 identified as Anglicans.

Morley stressed that the Friendless Churches network has always focused on saving rural, remote churches that no longer have flocks to support them. Many of these sanctuaries lack water or electricity and – unlike churches being closed in urban areas – are of little value to investors seeking future art galleries, bookstores, restaurants or condominiums.

It's sad to see a suburban church "turned into a pizza place," with an attached graveyard containing the final resting place for generations of the faithful, said Morley. But it's truly tragic when people – secular and religious – lose priceless, historic treasures that are crucial to the "artistic, architectural and cultural legacy" of their nation.

"Some people get what we are doing, but some people do not," she said. "I don't believe these remarkable churches belong to any one people living in any one age. They belong to the people who used them as places of worship for centuries. This is what these churches represent. This is a legacy that deserves to be saved."

Terry Mattingly leads GetReligion.org and lives in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. He is a senior fellow at the Overby Center at the University of Mississippi.

Indiana man gets 60 years in woman's 2019 torture-slaying

GOSHEN (AP) — A northern Indiana man has been sentenced to 60 years in prison after pleading guilty for his role in the 2019 torture-slaying of a woman whose body was dumped in southern Michigan.

An Elkhart County judge who sentenced Matthew Murzynski on Thursday ordered that the Elkhart man be incarcerated, for his own safety, in a different prison

from two other men awaiting sentencing in the killing of 31-year-old Kimberly Dyer.

Dyer was held in the basement of an Elkhart home for hours and brutally abused before her October 2019 murder. The Columbia City woman's body was found inside a trash bin dumped and covered in a marshy area near Constantine, Michigan.

Murzynski, 25, was set to stand trial alongside Donald Owen Jr., 22, and Mario Angulo Jr., 20, in Dyer's slaying before he pleaded guilty to felony charges of robbery resulting in serious injury and criminal confinement, The Elkhart Truth reported.

Owen or Angulo are awaiting sentencing after being convicted of murder in April during a joint trial in Dyer's slaying.

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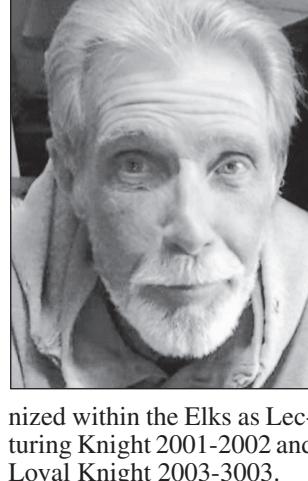
Dwight Dean Adams

Dean Adams, 70, of Wabash passed away May 30 at Parkview Hospital in Wabash after a long illness due to COPD. He was a lifetime resident of Wabash. He was born May 6 1951 to Harry Jr and Clara Adams. Both deceased. His twin brother David of Sacramento CA survives.

Other survivors include nephew James Borelli Nashville TN and nieces Barbara Boese of Portage IN, Katherine Dick (Adams) of Sacramento CA, aunt Phyllis Price (Charles) of Somerset. Cousins, Shelia Denniston, Marilyn Griffith, Tracy Kline, Tammy Ellet all of Wabash, Kristi Price, of Indianapolis, Brad Price of Lafayette, Glenn Adams, Russiaville, James Collins, Woodbridge VA. Dean was formerly married to Anne Miller of Wabash who also survives.

He was a 1969 graduate of Wabash High School. A carpenter by trade. He was employed locally by Yarnelle Lumber and Todd Bear Construction among others. He was a member of Local 615 United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners.

He was a 50 year member of Elks Lodge 471 Wabash. He was named Elk of the Year for 2001-2002 and 2007-2008. He was recog-



nized within the Elks as Lecturing Knight 2001-2002 and Loyal Knight 2003-3003.

Dean was a kind and gentle person who was always ready to help others and those in need. He was patient and trusting of others. He always had a smile and kind word. His carpentry skill was his greatest asset. He enjoyed performing quality workmanship. He enjoyed the card room at the Elks. He loved to cook a great meal for friends and relatives. He really enjoyed being near friends and relatives. His smile and personality were a gift he shared with all who came in contact with him.

After cremation a memorial will be held in his honor at the Elks Lodge 471 in Wabash at a date in the future. Memorial contributions may be directed to Elks.

Beverly J. Howard

Feb. 28, 1931 - June 3, 2021

Beverly J. Howard, 90, of Marion, Indiana, passed away at 12:29 p.m. on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at Marion General Hospital. She was born on Feb. 28, 1931, in Wabash, to the late Henry G. and Evelyn (Darby) Rebholz.

Beverly is survived by sons, David (Linda) Howard, and Doug (Shari) Howard; one brother, Philip (Linda)

Alfredo M. 'Al' Rodriguez

Alfredo M. "Al" Rodriguez, 70, of Wabash, passed away at 8:18 a.m. at Parkview Huntington Hospital.

Al is survived by one son, Jessie Rameiriz; one daughter, Jessica Villanueva, both of Wabash; one sister, DeLores Rodriguez, of Mexico and three grandchildren, Makenzie Krieger, Keegan Krieger and Kynlee Rameiriz.

A memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 14, 2021 at McDonald Funeral Homes, 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, Indiana 46992.

Friends and family may call one hour prior to the service, starting at 5 p.m., at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.mcdonaldfunerals.com.

MCS

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(SACA) module equipment start-up costs.

Gremaux said the total costs of the program and equipment would amount to \$100,000.

"Funding is needed to purchase equipment from SACA as a means to embed courses into current class offerings at Manchester High School," said Gremaux.

Gremaux said these courses would allow their students "to attain certifications in preparation for a career in Industry 4.0."

Industry 4.0 – otherwise known as the Fourth Industrial Revolution – refers to increasing manufacturing automation.

"The equipment is a modular program which includes a highly interactive eLearning curriculum, computer simulations, design projects and hands-on workstations. The beginning course is designed to introduce the basic tools and process of mechatronics technology used in Industry 4.0," said Gremaux.

Gremaux said lessons would include machine safety, dimensional measurement, mechanical power, basic electrical circuits, electrical control diagrams and basic robot programming, among others.

"The equipment will be utilized to prepare students for professions that directly impact local and regional industry. Industry 4.0 certifications attained through these courses will afford our students opportunities for high-paying careers right here in North Manchester.

The intent is to give our students skills that will allow them to become productive citizens that live and work in our community," said Gremaux.

Gremaux said they would be using this one-time funding request to purchase the equipment necessary to implement classes in the fall.

"Purchasing the needed equipment is the largest expense and beyond our reach to implement SACA in our current (career and technical education) courses. Training and curriculum will be covered through an Ivy Tech grant and MCS funds. We are currently reaching out to local businesses and regional industry partners for any additional uncollected funds to launch this program," said Gremaux.

"We will work with local businesses that could have a direct benefit from Industry 4.0 certifications."

Grow Wabash County president and CEO Keith Gillenwater said they were "fully supportive" of MCS seeking this SACA certification.

Gillenwater said around one-third of Wabash County's workforce was involved in agriculture and manufacturing, and that most of these jobs were currently held by older workers.

"One of the buzz words is the transition to robotics," said Gillenwater. "This provides credentials and micro-credentials."

After Gillenwater's presentation, the funding request was approved unanimously.

Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.

Wabash High School (WHS) released their second-semester honor roll, according to a press release.

All A's

12th grade: Madison E. Bartoo, Lingjun Fu and Morgan B. Mallow.

11th grade: Anne M. Cole, Breanna N. Keefer and Brycen A. Niccum.

10th grade: Morgan G. Butcher, Devin M. Coffman, Andrew J. Dillon, David L. Ford and Grace E. La Mar.

Ninth grade: Natalie A. Adams, Chloe J. Bishir, Shyann N. Fisher, Grant S. Ford, Troy A. Guenin-Hodson, Levi T. Hyden, Alexa S. Johnson, Calista R. Larrode, Karigan A. Long, Paloma D. Shull, Spencer J. Stout,

WHS RELEASES SECOND-SEMESTER HONOR ROLL

Madeline G. Von Uhl, Brooke M. Wagner and Kierra G. Wilson.

Regular Honor Roll - A's and B's

12th grade: Madison E. Bartoo, Rebecca A. Bruss, Simon P. Byers, Jada M. Caudill, Kya D. Cressell, Isabelle L. Davis, Isaiyah C. Eis, Kyndal N. Fields, Magdalene G. France, Lingjun Fu, Alison N. Gault, Nicole C. Gunderman, Hayley M. Houlihan, Peighton R. King, Joseph A. Leland, Morgan B. Mallow, Ian C. Risher, Erin M. Russell, Richard J. Steg, IV, Matthew D. Swango, Sabine R. Thomas, Jasper H. Walter, Grant W. Warmuth, Jarrett P. Wilson and Mariah M. Wyatt.

11th grade: Madeline J. Bailey, Sydney A. Baker, Kalista A. Ballschmidt, Emma Cain, Anne

M. Cole, Jordan S. Dragoo, Ethan J. Hall, Cherysh A. Harlan, Ethan F. Haynes, Marcus L. Haynes, Quinn W. Haynes, Riston K. Hoefer, Breanna N. Keefer, Corinne O. Kugler, Kaitynn M. McKernan, Brycen A. Niccum, Macy E. Niccum, Danae S. Parker, Hannah L. Perkins, Alexis R. Satterfield and Blake E. Smith.

10th grade: Morgan G. Butcher, Elijah C. Callahan, Devin M. Coffman, Brodie J. Craft, Ashlynn L. Cruz, Andrea R. Davis, Andrew J. Dillon, Kaden M. Fedewa, David L. Ford, Jacob D. France, Kendall M. Gifford, Daniel K. Hueston, Cole K. Hughes, Grace E. Lamar, Arthur J. McCord, Aaliyah Mota, Hope V. Schoening, Aubrey M. Till, Emma J. Tracy, Jacob M. Trapp, Tatum M. Vigar, Kaylee

M. Wagner and Elliott I. Wiles.

Ninth grade: Natalie A. Adams, Kylie A. Berryman, Cody A. Bever, Chloe J. Bishir, Isaac M. Byers, Talia I. Carrillo, Octavia E. Claudio, Katelynn K. Combs, Alexander J. Dinkins, Maya R. Drabenstot, Keaton L. Fields, Shyann N. Fisher, Grant S. Ford, William R. Galley, Troy A. Guenin-Hodson, Seth D. Helsel, Xavier P. Hughes, Dazy E. Hyden, Levi T. Hyden, Alexa S. Johnson, Kiana K. Jones, Calisen J. Kugler, Calista R. Larrode, Karigan A. Long, Maegan R. Poe, Kale J. Richardson, Irma Y. Robles, Paloma D. Shull, Emily D. Stellar, Erin L. Stellar, Spencer J. Stout, Noah L. Thompson, Isabella G. Vail, Kaden R. Vogel, Madeline G. Von Uhl, Brooke M. Wagner, Kierra G. Wilson and Izaak P. Wright.

READING

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take place off-site at 10 a.m. each Wednesday. Storytime kits will be available for pick up on Thursdays, though advanced registration is required through the library's online calendar, by visiting www.wabash.evanced.com/kids.

Teen craft kits will be offered each Thursday and adults will have kits on Tuesday, June 22 and Tuesday, July 13. Registration is available for these kits but is not required. Tutorial videos will be available on the library's Facebook page for these kits, as well. Youth services will be offering two book kits in June, including Dogman on Friday, June 11 and A Wolf Called Wander on Friday, June 25. Registration for these kits is required through the Children's Room or the library's online calendar.

"Last year, we began using an app-based program for logging summer reading points and take-home kits for all ages. This year, we are excited to incorporate those elements alongside more in-person programming, as guidelines allow," said Castle. "While space is still limited inside the library building, we will utilize the Storywalk for outdoor meetings quite a bit."

Castle said the WCPL Storywalk – located on Huntington Street at Paradise Springs Park – provides an outdoor space where several of the Wednesday morning programs will take place, along with the introduction of Adult Storytime from 12:15

to 12:45 p.m. Tuesday, June 29. No registration is required and participants are encouraged to bring their lunch to the pavilion. A book discussion will also take place for adults at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 28. Registration and further details are available at the library's online calendar.

"Though our building was operating with limited hours last summer, we saw an impressive number of participants in summer reading. We believe this year will be even better and encourage everyone to sign up and give it a try," said youth services librarian Polly Howell.

Castle said the library offers physical and digital collections for summer reading, though a library card is not required to take part in the program.

NMPL

NMPL adult department manager and marketing coordinator Jeanna Hann said their theme for this year's summer reading program was "I Heart North Manchester."

"Each year NMPL welcomes readers from North Manchester and the surrounding rural communities," said Hann. "Incentives, grand prize packs and numerous programs will encourage reading throughout the summer months. Readers of all ages can participate online through the library's free summer reading app, Beanstack, or in person, by stopping by the library to sign up and pick up a paper tracker."

Hann said the theme is "especially meaningful in light of all the community support

NMPL received in 2020."

"The spirit of giving back propels this year's program," said Hann. "Many of the prizes

have been purchased from North Manchester businesses. Numerous programs have been designed to highlight companies around town and to encourage summer readers to support local businesses."

Hann said in addition to daily programs, the library will be hosting the following special summer events.

"We invite all community members to participate," said Hann. "No library card necessary."

Hann said the NMPL summer reading program relies solely on sponsorships and donations.

"The library extends its thanks to the community for the support received over the years and looks forward to another exciting summer of cultivating a love for books and reading in our community," said Hann.

Upcoming events include:

■ Little Book Shop on Market Street: From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 5; Friday, July 30; and Saturday, July 31. "Browse a wide selection of gently used books under the sun-dappled tables along our front walk. We have titles for children, teen and adult readers available for \$1 apiece," said Hann.

■ Activities on the K-Mo lawn: From 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 9. "Join us on the K-Mo lawn to make java dough and to decorate your very own to-go cup," said Hann.

■ Outdoor Family Bingo: 6 p.m. Friday, June 11. "Bring

the entire family and a picnic supper out to the NMPL lawn for bingo night," said Hann.

■ Roz Puppets on the NMPL lawn: 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 16. "Join the Roz Puppets for a whimsical retelling of a classic tale set in the times of dragons and enchanted creatures. Bring your lunch to the NMPL lawn at noon and enjoy a picnic before the show," said Hann. "Drinks and snack cakes are on us."

■ Chillz Event: From 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 30. "Head to the Chillz lawn at 1 p.m. for tie-dyeing and ice cream," said Hann. "All 'Mr. Chillz' ice cream scoops will be free during this program. NMPL will provide limited items to tie-dye but you are welcome to bring your items on well."

■ NMPL Pool Party: From noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 7. "Our most popular summer event is back. Cool off at all sorts of fun water stations on the library lawn," said Hann.

■ Activities at the North Manchester Farmer's Market: From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 17: "Participate in a crazy fun scavenger hunt to win NMPL Bucks and Farmers' Market Tokens," said Hann.

■ Slime Spectacular on the NMPL lawn: From 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 21. "Elephant toothpaste, slimy crafts and gooey fun" will be included, said Hann.

For more information, visit www.nman.lib.in.us.

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DEATH

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local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance."

Hann said because of these changes, their mask requirement had changed to a recommendation beginning Tuesday, June 1.

"We've had wonderful feedback from so many patrons who really appreciated the library prioritizing the safety of staff and patrons," said Hann. "Several took the time to email us and thank us for keeping the masks as long as we did. Of course, there are always people who aren't fans of the mask mandates, but we hope the community knows that their safety is our first priority."

On Tuesday, June 1, Wabash Carnegie Public Library (WCPL) executive director Ware Wimberly said their mask policy had also changed from requiring them to advisory, "so face masks are not required outdoors on school grounds."

Holcomb originally announced the statewide change from a mask mandate to a mask advisory would take effect Tuesday, April 6. Mayor Scott Long said on Monday, April 6 that he supported Holcomb's decision, but that caution was still warranted. On the same day, local hospitals including Parkview Health and Lutheran Health Network said they would continue to require masks in their facilities, despite the lifting of the mandate. Also on Monday, April 6, Manchester University assistant director of media relations Anne Gregory said they would continue to require masks at both their North Manchester and Fort Wayne campuses.

On Friday, June 4, the ISDH reported two new local positive COVID-19 cases, bringing Wabash County's total to 3,598, with 15,537 tests.

The local seven-day positivity rating for all tests was 5.5 percent. The local seven-day

state government congregate facilities – the state prisons, state hospitals, Indiana Veterans Home and the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy. Masks are also still required inside COVID testing and vaccination clinics. The order also continues the face-covering requirement inside Indiana schools through June 30. Face coverings are not required outdoors on school grounds.

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Hoosiers are confirmed to have died from COVID-19, an increase of five from the previous day. Another 417 probable deaths have been reported to date based on clinical diagnoses in patients for whom no positive test is on record.

A total of 3,517,652 unique individuals have been tested in Indiana, up from 3,515,100 on Thursday. A total of 10,519,723 tests, including repeat tests for unique individuals, have been reported to the state Department of Health since Feb. 26, 2020.

To find testing sites around the state, visit www.coronavirus.in.gov and click on the COVID-19 testing information link.

Hoosiers age 12 and older can receive a COVID-19 vaccine; individuals younger than age 18 are eligible for the Pfizer vaccine only. To find a vaccination clinic near you, visit <https://ourshot.in.gov> or call 211 if you do

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DAILY SCRIPTURE

Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

Proverbs 12:19

U.S. needs to face its own pandemic failures

Is the COVID-19 pandemic the result of an accidental release of a dangerous virus created at the Wuhan Institute of Virology? Or did it arise naturally, jumping from an animal to a human, as so many other dangerous infectious organisms do?

Until recently the "lab-leak" theory was largely viewed as a political ploy by the Trump administration to deflect attention away from its inept response to the pandemic. Facebook went so far as to ban posts that pushed the idea, which was popular among conspiracy theorists. The scientific community and the Chinese government maintained that SARS-CoV-2 jumped from an animal to a human. It was (and is) a reasonable assumption; that's how the two previous deadly coronaviruses, which caused SARS and MERS, were presumed born. In March, a joint investigation by the World Health Organization and Beijing concluded that it was "extremely unlikely" the virus escaped from a lab; instead, the investigators said, it could have originated at a wild animal farm.

But the lab accident theory is plausible too. Dangerous viruses escape from labs with alarming regularity. And new information has lent new credence to the idea that it's at least as possible that the virus was manufactured by humans as by nature. The WHO report was criticized, even from within its own ranks, for relying on information from Chinese authorities who, for obvious reasons, had an incentive to withhold evidence that might lay the blame for the pandemic at their feet. Then new information emerged about workers at the lab getting seriously ill from some COVID-like infection in fall 2019, and a growing number of scientists called publicly for deeper examination of the origin of COVID-19.

Last week, President Biden asked the intelligence community for a more thorough investigation into the two scenarios. He's right to do so. There's value in trying to pinpoint, to the degree it is possible, the provenance of this deadly virus in order to stop another one from emerging in the same manner. However, it's unclear if U.S.

agents will have better access to any illuminating information than the WHO team.

Democrats and the media are now being ridiculed for dismissing the lab leak theory out of hand when President Trump uttered it. The rush to judgment was wrong, but consider the source. Trump lied so often, many of his statements about COVID-19 had no credibility. (Remember bleach injections?) And Trump made it clear from the start of the pandemic that he was going to blame China whether there was evidence to support it or not.

We may never be certain of the true origins of COVID-19, but we can be sure that this isn't the last time humanity will be faced with a deadly virus. To that end, the U.S. needs to spend at least as much energy investigating how it handled – and mishandled in some cases – the pandemic once it arrived. We may not be able to stop nations or nature from letting loose deadly diseases, but we can and should do a better job responding to them.

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A future with fewer?

By KYLE MAY

remaining residents and businesses.

"We tend to get fixated on the overall number when we talk about population as communities, but really, it's about continued investment and sustainability. New people mean more than just our ranking in the state. They mean new families, students, homeowners, businesses, and amenities. Without this energy it makes everything just a little harder," said North Manchester town manager Adam Penrod.

Regionally, however, the population picture is more positive and points toward opportunity for the county. As Wabash decreased from 1980, the 11-county region centering on Fort Wayne grew by more than 150,000, or 25 percent. This growth outpaced the state (23 percent over the same period) and has continued through 2020 with bold plans to reach one million total residents in the area by 2030.

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This is the first in a multi-part series developed to share the major findings of the Imagine One 85 analysis and community conversations. For more information on the content or reports, please contact Imagine One 85 project manager Kyle May by email at kyle@planning-next.com. The full series will also be shared on the process website, www.imagineone85.org.

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HISTORY

Today is Saturday, June 5, the 156th day of 2021. There are 209 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On June 5, 1967, war erupted in the Middle East as Israel, anticipating a possible attack by its Arab neighbors, launched a series of pre-emptive airfield strikes that destroyed nearly the entire Egyptian air force; Syria, Jordan and Iraq then entered the conflict.

On this date:

In 1794, Congress passed the Neutrality Act, which prohibited Americans from taking part in any

military action against a country that was at peace with the United States.

In 1912, U.S. Marines landed in Cuba at the order of President William Howard Taft to ensure order and protect U.S. interests.

In 1917, about 10 million American men between the ages of 21 and 31 began registering for the draft in World War I.

In 1950, the U.S. Supreme Court, in *Henderson v. United States*, struck down racially segregated railroad dining cars.

Thoughts on the infrastructure plan

President Biden laid out his infrastructure plan in a recent address to Congress. The American Jobs Plan contains spending priorities that go well beyond traditional roads and bridges. It deserves an honest appraisal, including an assessment of the economic conditions we now face. I begin by sharing my initial skepticism.

Michael Hicks



I believe the plan is too large and happens too quickly on the heels of pandemic relief. I'm afraid it uses some inappropriate tools to address real problems. And, it tries to remedy some problems that don't actually exist. However, there are three reasons why this proposal could be more effective than even its most ardent supporters hope.

The first is that our economy has been stuck in low gear for more than a decade. There is growing evidence that this has some of its roots in the last recession. Despite historically low interest rates and large tax cuts, private capital investment grew very slowly. If the Fed is unable to boost the economy by easing interest rates, some fiscal policy will be needed. Hence the broad infrastructure bill.

It is important to note that the Trump tax cuts were predicated on exactly the same theory. My 2017 column supporting the Trump tax cuts noted, "We are stuck in a very slow growth expansion." Had we not embarked on a disastrous trade war, perhaps it would have boosted growth. But, it did not. As the infrastructure bill descends into a predictable partisan divide, it is useful to know that the economic theory behind deficit spending is the same whether it comes through tax cuts or spending increases. The only real difference is how quickly the effects move through the economy.

Second, we have some meaningful infrastructure shortfalls. While the federal government spends a great deal of money, a declining share of it targets productive infrastructure spending. There is even some evidence that the recent decline in public investment has contributed to slowing economic growth. The most widely accepted studies on infrastructure impact suggest a modest, but long-term boost to productivity from increased spending.

Supporters of infrastructure spending will likely argue that it creates lots of jobs. That may be true, but the real benefit isn't a five-year burst of construction work. It is the long-term effects of safer, less congested roadways, more secure power supplies, and better telecommunications networks that boosts growth. A better argument than the popular, but misguided, short-term job creation claims is that it is good investment.

The U.S. government can now borrow money for 10 years at a negative real interest rate. Folks, that means that investors are paying the U.S. government to borrow their money. This is because there are no private investment opportunities that are safe enough to lure investors. All that may change of course, but now is a superb time to invest in public infrastructure.

The third argument for this infrastructure untrue bill is that we may have neglected many public investments that are important, even if they aren't measured in Gross Domestic Product. Most large American cities have water and sewer infrastructure partially built before the 20th century. Broadband telecommunications remain unavailable in many places, limiting the quality of education, public services and the delivery of healthcare and emergency services. Addressing these things won't cause a burst of economic growth but it can reduce costs for state and local governments.

These types of investments also improve the lives of many citizens, particularly those whose economic prospects have been most challenged by longer-term changes to the economy. Some parts of the infrastructure plan, which target spending on children care and early childhood education, may help. These aren't traditional infrastructure, but that does not make them unimportant. Our nation has yet to figure out how to reduce economic inequality that manifests itself before children enter elementary school. This program may not do so, but it is a serious effort. This program also targets more R&D spending, which is a long-term catalyst for a growing economy.

Despite my aforementioned misgivings about the infrastructure proposal, it has serious elements that address real, persistent problems in our economy. Moreover, the Biden administration proposes this without dramatically expanding the scope of government. The bill contains no new big programs or agencies, no vast new government apparatus or power. It's a lot of spending, more than I would wish, but not a new bureaucracy.

True conservatives should be pleased with that and should try to work to improve the plan. Compromise that extends the spending over a longer timeline would enable better coordination between types of construction, reduce the risk of skyrocketing construction costs and yield more long-term benefits. The childcare programs should be family based and agnostic about the type of early childhood education or childcare. We should be indifferent between spending the same amount of money on a homeschool program as we do a traditional provider.

We should reward local governments who target their spending to support local infrastructure. We should spend R&D money on new science, and on new ways to prioritize public services, reduce barriers to economic integration and promote a stronger, more secure nation. These ideas have always been consistent with conservative principles, and should attract compromise. They probably will not.

In the coming months, the infrastructure plan will run through the rigors of appropriations, so it will be different when finally passed by Congress. However, something like it will surely pass. It is not a panacea to all our economic woes, but neither is it socialism. We'd all be wise to view it with healthy skepticism, while hoping my hesitations about it don't come to pass.

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LIFESTYLES

More moreish food, please

Years ago, we moved from our home in Switzerland to England. Among the mixed emotions, one standout was a relief to live again in an English-language culture.

While I can write at length about our bumbling and surprisingly foreign experience settling into U.K. life, I will stay on the topic of

Lynda Balslev

 language. After all, it was one of the perks of this international move, and the excuse we used to propel ourselves to a remote corner of southeast

England in our well-intentioned quest to blend in. After all, we were fluent in the local language – we only missed a sturdy pair of wellies.

So, after arrival in London and a brief rental experience, we moved to a small provincial hamlet on the edge of the south coast, where we purchased a rambling, feng shui-challenged barn renovation with distant views to the Isle of Wight. Suddenly, we found ourselves feeling quite foreign with a steep learning curve before us. Among many of our adjustments, we were about to experience a crash course in British English.

We quickly adjusted to referring to the car boot (not trunk) and clothing articles such as knickers, jumpers and trainers. Perhaps more important, we awkwardly learned to never, ever, compliment someone on their pants (blush), for they are trousers. Our written word adjusted, as well, to include u's and t's (neighbour, favourite, learnt, burnt). The letter "z" became "zed" and was often substituted with an "s," as in finalise and civilised.

The language differences also extended to food terminology. Take, for example, the notion of tea. If your child was invited home by a classmate for tea one day, rest assured your precious 4-year-old would not be served a scalding cup of Earl Grey. Most likely, he would be supplied with an early supper served to children; beans on toast is a favorite. Or, if you were invited to a neighbor's home for dinner and asked to bring a pudding, not to worry as to whether you should recreate a butter-scotch pudding recipe from your childhood or up the ante with a posh chocolate mousse. Pudding, you see, is a synonym for dessert in British English, so you would be free to go big and whip up a cake or trifle.



Photo by Lynda Balslev for Tastefood

Which brings me to one of my favorite descriptive words pertaining to food in British English: moreish. When I first heard it, I pictured long banquet tables of Arab moors digging into a sumptuous feast. I quickly learned that the word is more-ish, and it applies to a dish or food you simply cannot stop eating. It's so delicious, you want more.

And moreish is what I was thinking when I wrote this recipe. While Asia is far from England, these spiced Asian pork lettuce wraps are indeed moreish. They are crisp and juicy, laced with ginger and spice. Better yet, you must eat them with your hands, which is a fun, interactive and dribbly affair, and seems to make them taste even better. So, tuck in and enjoy these little bites. One will certainly not be enough.

Asian Pork Meatball

Lettuce Wraps

**Active time: 1 hour
Total time: 1 hour,
plus chilling time**

Yield: Makes 18 meatballs

Meatballs:

1 1/2 pounds ground pork (turkey may be substituted)

3 large garlic cloves, minced

3 tablespoons Panko bread-crumbs

1 scallion, finely chopped, green ends reserved for the rice

2 tablespoons finely chopped cilantro

2 tablespoons soy sauce

1 tablespoon finely grated peeled fresh ginger

1 teaspoon sesame oil

1/2 teaspoon ground coriander

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

Rice:

1 cup basmati or jasmine rice

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

1 small red jalapeno chile pepper, seeded and minced

1 teaspoon toasted sesame oil

1/4 cup unseasoned rice vinegar

2 tablespoons soy sauce

2 tablespoons sweet chile sauce

2 teaspoons toasted sesame oil

1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh cilantro leaves

1/2 tablespoon finely chopped fresh mint leaves

2 teaspoons finely grated peeled fresh ginger

Vegetable oil for pan frying

Little gem or butter lettuce leaves for wrapping

Asian hot sauce, such as Sriracha

Combine all the meatball ingredients in a bowl and gently mix to blend. Using a

light hand, form the mixture into 1 1/2-inch meatballs. Place on a plate and refrigerate for at least 1 hour or up to 24 hours.

Prepare the rice: Add the rice, 1 1/2 cups water and the salt to a medium saucepan. Bring to a simmer over medium heat. Cover the pot and reduce the heat to low. Cook until the water is absorbed

and the rice is tender, 15 to 20 minutes. Remove from the heat and remove the lid.

Lay a kitchen towel over the saucepan and replace the lid. Let the rice steam for 5 minutes. Fluff with a fork and gently stir in the reserved green scallion ends, the chile pepper and sesame oil.

Mix all the sauce ingredients together in a small bowl.

Cook the meatballs: Heat the oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. Add the meatballs to the skillet without overcrowding, and gently press to slightly flatten. Cook until well browned on all sides and thoroughly cooked through, 8 to 10 minutes, turning as needed. Transfer to a plate lined with a paper towel and repeat with the remaining meatballs.

To serve, spoon a little rice into a lettuce leaf. Top with a meatball and drizzle with the sauce. Serve with additional hot sauce if desired.

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VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON CHURCH SERVICES

Asbury Country Church

On Sunday, June 6 at Asbury Country Church, Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and the worship service is at 10:30 a.m. The worship and music leader will be Amy Bullick and the piano will be by Roger Marine. The morning message will be, "Why Not and When?" by Pastor Mike Bullick.

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ

Online services are available by visiting www.bachelorcreek.com.

Christ United Methodist Church

On Sunday, June 6 worship service at Christ United Methodist Church, 477 N. Wabash St., is at 10 a.m. Pastor Tom Richards' scripture reading will be Psalm 22 with a sermon reflection titled, "Holy Communion." Worship service will also be live-streamed on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/.

Christian Heritage Church

Streaming services online and broadcast on 95.9 FM.

College Corner Brethren Church

College Corner Brethren Church is now holding in-person services at 10:15 a.m. Sundays at 8996 S. 500 West, with Pastor Solomon David. The sermons are still on YouTube and Facebook.

Common Ground Prayer House

The Common Ground Prayer House will be open to the public from 8 to 10 a.m. Mondays, except holidays, at 78 W. Hill St. COVID-19 precautions will be taken in the form of masks being worn by prayer house representatives and social distancing. For more information

tion, call Jennifer Mahan at 260-571-8063, Shirley Neale at 260-591-0047 or Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072.

Dora Christian Church

For the Sunday, June 6 services at Dora Christian Church in Lagro the minister will be Mark Wisniewski, the song leader will be Olman Sanchez, the pianist will be Sherry Brock and the organist will be Kristy Good. We have two in-person Sunday services at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m., with Sunday school classes for all ages from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. The message will be "Disciples Get Together" from Acts 2:42-47, part of June's sermon series, "The Acts of the Disciples." The Communion Table will be served by Scott Hendry and John Troyer. Children's Church for the 10:30 a.m. service will be led by Kelly and Lynnette Good.

LaFontaine Christian Church

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the sermon which is then available for all to view at www.lafontainechristian.com under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

LaFontaine United Methodist Church

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is live-streaming on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church> and that it may be accessed as a video afterward.

Lincolnville United Methodist Church

Lincolnville United Methodist, 5848 E. 500 South, is going back to one worship service. The worship service is at 10 a.m., and Sunday school is at 9 a.m.

Living Faith Lutheran Church

Welcome to our in-person

worship service at 10:10 a.m. Sundays at Living Faith Lutheran Church, 242 S. Huntington St. Bible study and Sunday school are at 9 a.m. for all ages. The sanctuary is arranged for social distancing. Masks are encouraged and available. Online services are at 10:10 a.m., with pre-service music at 10 a.m. For virtual services and more information, visit www.livingfaithwabash.org.

Manchester Church of the Brethren

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting www.manchestercob.net. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, "Manchester CoB YouTube Channel." After

the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live stream in the same way. Another way to access the live stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search "Manchester Church of the Brethren," and click on the circle profile.

North Manchester Congregational Christian Church

Pastor Sebrena Cline stated live streaming begins on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sundays for the North Manchester Congregational Christian Church, and lasts 30 to 40 minutes.

North Manchester Missionary Church

The North Manchester Missionary Church is streaming live on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed by visiting [NMMC1.com](http://www.NMMC1.com).

Olive Branch Church of God

The Olive Branch Church of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find

it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by visiting www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch or through the church website www.olivebranch.church. Click "Live Streaming" at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

Richvalley United Methodist Church

Worship at Richvalley United Methodist Church begins at 9:30 a.m. Sundays at 290 N. Jefferson St. Sunday school begins at 10:45 a.m. For more information, call 260-563-1033 or email rvumc@hotmail.com.

Southside Free Will Baptist

Streaming on their Facebook page.

Sweetwater Assembly of God

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

Urbana Yoke Parish

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated that his congregation posts Sunday services to www.urbanayokeparish.com. Go to the menu line at the top of the page and select "Worship Videos." The most recent one will appear first. Sunday services are posted by noon every Tuesday.

Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Welcome to Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 West Hill St. In-person worship is at 9:30 a.m. Sunday mornings in the sanctuary or via live-stream for the church at home on the Wabash Christian YouTube Channel. Access is also available on our Facebook page and website wabashchristian.org. Stephen Eberhard is the transitional minister.

Wabash Church of the Brethren

The Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond St., moved into the second phase of their re-opening on Sunday, May 16, said administrative assistant Michelle Roudebush. During this phase of the re-opening, the church is requiring a mask while in the building and encouraging social distancing.

Roudebush said they would be refraining from congregational singing. "We are planning to have fully vaccinated song leaders sharing during this phase," said Roudebush.

Roudebush said they are encouraging people to visit with one another outside, after the service, as the weather permits and collecting offerings in the back of their building, in a marked box.

Roudebush said they were planning to move into the third phase of their re-opening plans starting Sunday, June 6. These changes will include recommending but not requiring a face mask while in the building, continuing to encourage social distancing, returning to congregational singing and offering plates being passed again.

Roudebush said during their second Sunday back open – Sunday, May 23 – they offered coffee and juice after the worship service near the tree outside their building, weather permitting. Roudebush said they wanted to ensure that those who still sought a virtual option would have that available going forward. If you have questions or concerns about our plans for re-opening for in-person worship, please be in touch with Pastor Doug Veal. You may reach Veal at the church office, 260-563-5291, on his cell phone at 260-225-3014, or by email at pastordoug@wabashcob.org.

Wabash Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service

is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Find it by going to YouTube and search for "Wabash Nazarene" or search Facebook for the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. Another option is to visit www.wabashnaz.com, look for the home page, and find "Latest Sermon."

Wabash First Church of God

At the 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 6 worship service at Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St., Pastor Robb Rensberger will speak on "A Discerning Life – Part 2." The sermon can also be seen on YouTube under Wabash 1st Church and heard on Sunday at 11 a.m. on 105.9 FM. While in the church building, masks are optional but we do practice social distancing. Sunday servants are Dorothy Carpenter, chairperson; Sherry Whitt, worship; Rose Sands, organ; and Nancy Kolb, piano.

Walk by Faith Community Church

At the Walk by Faith Community Church in Roann, Sunday school begins at 9 a.m. and the worship and children's worship services begin at 10 a.m. The Walk by Faith Youth ministry meets at 5 p.m. every Sunday. For more information, visit www.walkbyfaithcommunitychurch.com.

Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash

Pastor Jerry Gauthier says that the Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash is streaming through their Facebook page at www.facebook/zionwabash at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

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Indiana seeks \$620K repayment after audit finds students not online

SOUTH BEND (AP) —

State education officials want a northern Indiana school district to repay more than \$620,000 after an audit found it claimed money for dozens of students who never logged into an alternative school's online classes.

The Indiana Department of Education asked state auditors to review the enrollment at the South Bend Community School Corporation's Rise Up Academy following a complaint that students were

not receiving an adequate education, according to a State Board of Accounts report.

Auditors reviewed enrollment and attendance figures dating to July 2018 and found dozens of students counted in the district's requests for enrollment-based funding who had never logged into South Bend's online learning platform, the South Bend Tribune reported.

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ing was overlooked during enrollment counts, and the district has already paid back more than \$360,000 in state money.

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will be held from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Awards will follow. Children and their adults must be present to win awards. Advance registration is requested by calling 260-468-2127.

Addictions Impact Panel to share personal experiences

The Wabash County Drug Steering Committee and the Prevention Subcommittee will be hosting an Addictions Impact Panel. Doors will open to the public at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 5 at the Honeywell Center's Ford Theatre, 275 W. Market St. Resource tables and local community partners will be available in the lobby. The panel will begin at 7 p.m. Door prizes including gift cards to local businesses will also be available. Panelists at the event will be Shawn Light and Katina Schram.

WPD, WCSD, ISP participating in Click It or Ticket through June 6

The Wabash Police Department (WPD), Wabash County Sheriff's Department (WCSD) and Indiana State Police (ISP) Peru Post are participating in the national Click It or Ticket Enforcement campaign, along with over 200 other agencies throughout the state, through Sunday, June 6.

Salamonie Senior Luncheon set for Monday, June 7

The monthly Salamonie Senior Luncheon will be held at noon on Monday, June 7, at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive Center at 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Anyone age 50 or older is welcome to attend. Advanced Master Gardner Martha Ferguson will share the importance of using native plants in place of invasive species. Ferguson recently directed the Gene Stratton-Porter State Historic Site's garden restoration project. The program begins with a carry-in meal at noon. Guests should bring a side dish to share, a beverage and their table service. A \$1 donation will be accepted. Seating is limited. Reservations may be made by calling 260-468-2127.

Honeywell Summer Arts Camps announced for grades K-12

Registration is open for Honeywell Summer Theatre and Visual Art Camps for students in grades K-12, which begin Monday, June 7, and offer in-person, fully immersive programs led by art and theater teachers and professionals. The two-week Theatre Camps for grades K-5 will take place in the afternoon from Monday, June 7 through Friday, June 18. The three-week Theatre Camps for sixth through 12th grades will take place in the afternoon from Monday, June 7 through Friday, June 18.

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Registration is now open for Grow Wabash County's

25. The one-week Visual Art Camps will take place in the morning from Monday, June 7 through Friday, June 11. Registration is \$75 for art and \$90 for theatre. Financial assistance is available. For more information, visit HoneywellArts.org/camp or call 260-563-1102.

Woman's Clubhouse to hold June luncheon

The Woman's Clubhouse will welcome Dan Johns, director of the Dan Quayle Museum in Huntington, for their monthly luncheon at noon Tuesday, June 8, according to Ellen Stouffer. Johns will speak on flags of the United States. "Wear your red white and blue," said Stouffer. Make reservations by phone with Mary Delauter by calling 260-563-6613 or Carol McDonald at 260-563-2331.

MSD Summer Food Program to provide free breakfasts, lunches

The MSD Summer Food Program will provide weekly meals free of charge for children ages 1 through 18 throughout the MSD area. Throughout the summer, families may pick up five day's worth of breakfasts and lunches for each child in their household that meets the age criteria from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays from June 9 to July 28 at Northfield High School, 154 W. 200 North, and Southwood High School on the east side of the building, 564 Indiana 124.

Second Harvest to hold a tailgate food distributions

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned tailgate food distributions for 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 23 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15; and noon Wednesday, June 9 at Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St, North Manchester. For more information, visit www.curehunger.org, classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182 or <https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410>.

Salamonie Preschool offers 'B is for Berry' program

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "B is for Berry" on Wednesday, June 9 at 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews. Children ages 2 to 5 and their adults are welcome to attend the class from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Salamonie Interpretive Center located in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, Andrews. The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated. Register by calling Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at 260-468-2127.

WACCY Golf Outing hitting the greens June 9

Registration is now open for Grow Wabash County's

annual WACCY Golf Outing on Wednesday, June 9 at the Honeywell Golf Course, 3360 Niccum Road. Registration is \$360 per four-person team, which includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, access to a catered lunch from Miller's Merry Manor and the chance to win a whole assortment of games and prizes. This year's outing will offer a morning session with a 7:30 a.m. start – and afternoon – with a 1 p.m. start – flights on a first-come, first-serve basis. There will be a limit of 18 teams per flight. For more information, visit www.growwabashcounty.com/waccy2021, email marketing@growwabashcounty.com or call 260-563-5258.

Art Studio Trolley No. 85 tour on sale

The Art Studio Trolley No. 85 Tour will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 12, is \$30 per person, and will begin at the Visit Wabash County Welcome Center, 221 S. Miami St. Tickets for the Art Studio Trolley No. 85 Tour are \$30 per person and are all-inclusive. Payment is due upon registration. To purchase tickets online, visit www.visitwabashcounty.com/trolley-tours, stop in the Welcome Center at 221 S. Miami St., or call 260-563-7171.

Pancake Day planned for June 12

The Wabash Kiwanis Club's Pancake Day 2021 event will take place from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 12 at the newly renovated Bruce Ingraham building at the Wabash County Fairgrounds, located just off of Gillen Avenue. Pancakes, with or without blueberries, will be available, along with sausages and drinks. Tickets will be \$8 at the door and \$7 in advance for adults 13 years and older and \$5 at the door and \$4 in advance for children ages 6 to 12 years. Admission for the event will be free for children 5 years and younger.

Sponsorship opportunities for businesses for Pancake Day are available by email at donnasiders@hotmail.com or by calling 260-571-1892. Sponsors would receive complimentary tickets to the event and on-site recognition in exchange for their support for only \$150.

Wabash County Animal Shelter partnership to pair emerging readers with dogs, cats

The local Literacy for Companionship program will be held on the third Thursday of each month, with the next one scheduled for June 17 at the Wabash County Animal Shelter, 810 Manchester Ave. The time will be split into 30-minute shifts from 4 to 6 p.m., with four children scheduled per session. There is no cost for the program and the parents or guardians will be with the children at all times. For more information, call 260-563-3511.

Salamonie Lake will be hosting "a unique outdoor day camp" from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday, June 28 to Friday, July 2 at Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Children ages 7 to 13 are welcome. Limited space is available. The cost per child is \$60 and \$55 for each additional sibling. Register and pay by Monday, June 14 and save

Salamonie to hold Summer Day Camp and Family Overnight

Upper Wabash Interpretive Services will hold a Summer Day Camp and Family Overnight program from Thursday, June 17 to Friday, June 18 at 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Participants may expect forest discovery, hiking, live animals, crafts, games, water fun, canoeing and evening activities for camping families. Camping families should plan to bring their tents and camping gear. Campers from ages 7 to 12 need to bring their lunches each day. On Thursday, June 17, meet from 1:30 to 4 p.m. for the day camp portion. Activities will resume from 7 to 8 p.m. for a Sound Bite program. On Friday, June 18, meet from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$50 per child for both days and \$30 for one day. Additional siblings per family will receive a \$5 discount. A small snack will be provided each day. Advance registration is required by calling 260-468-2127.

Salamonie Lake workdays continue throughout summer

Salamonie Lake's Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, will host a variety of volunteer work-related activities. Check-in and instructions will be available at the Interpretive and Nature Center. The volunteer workdays will continue throughout the summer at 9 a.m. Monday, June 21; 9 a.m. Monday, July 26; 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16; and 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25.

For more information, visit 260-468-2127.

Project Learning Tree Workshop to be held

Educators are invited to participate in a Project Learning Tree (PLT) K-8 workshop from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, July 9 at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive and Nature Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. The workshop fee of \$23 includes a copy of the guide. The fee is payable by check (made out to IFEF/PLT) or cash, payable on the day of the workshop. Bring a sack lunch. Beverages will be provided. Advance registration is required with a deadline of Friday, July 2. Limited space is available.

For more information, call 260-468-2127 or email trody@dnr.in.gov.

Salamonie to hold Summer Forest Camp

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\$10 per child. For more information and registration, call 260-468-2127.

Indiana 114 to close for bridge maintenance near North Manchester

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has announced the closure of Indiana 114 near North Manchester for bridge maintenance. Crews will be working between Gene Stratton Porter Road and Rock-Springs Pike. Work is scheduled to last until early July. During the closure, motorists should use the posted detour of Indiana 13, Indiana 16 and Indiana 105.

INDOT begins Indiana 13 and 15 Wabash River bridgework

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has announced bridge maintenance work over the Wabash River on Indiana 13 and Indiana 15 in Wabash. The northbound lanes between Lafontaine Avenue and Miami Street will be closed to traffic. Motorists should use the posted detour of Lafontaine Avenue, Huntington Street and Market Street.

The southbound lanes between Fulton Street and Dimension Avenue will be reduced to one lane because of the work. The work is set to wrap up in July.

Indiana 15 lane closures to last through mid-summer

Alternating lane closures are planned for Indiana 15. The work is happening between Indiana 13 and Wedcor Avenue. Widths will be restricted to 13 feet during the project and that loads wider than 13 feet should seek an alternate route using the nearest numbered state, U.S. or interstate routes. The work is scheduled to wrap up by mid-summer.

YMCA to offer summer meals

The Wabash County YMCA announced their free breakfast and lunch program for children ages 18 and under will be from 8 to 9 a.m. for breakfast and 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for lunch Mondays through Fridays, through Friday, Aug. 6, at 500 S. Cass St. For more information, visit www.wabashcountymca.org or email info@wabashcountymca.org.

Liking for Biking' returns

Through Saturday, Aug. 28, anyone of any age or skill level who is interested in a free, family-friendly hour-long bike ride is invited to meet at 8:45 a.m. each Saturday at Paradise Spring Historical Park's upper pavilion, 351 W. Market St. Helmets are required. The next health assessment will take place at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 28 inside of door 10 at Parkview Wabash Hospital, 10 John Kissinger Drive, while the rest of the rides will start at Paradise Spring Historical Park with

wheels rolling at 9 a.m. Masks are required inside Parkview Wabash Hospital for health assessments. For more information, www.visitwabashcounty.com/adventure-series or call 260-563-7171.

Downtown Wabash Farmers' Market running every Saturday

The Downtown Wabash Farmers' Market continues its 2021 season from 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays through Saturday, Sept. 26 in the Honeywell Center/Wabash Elks parking lot on the corner of Cass and Market St. Vendors are still being accepted for full-season, half-season and one-time rates.

To become a vendor for the 2021 Market, visit WabashMarketplace.org/farmers-market or call 260-563-0975. For more information about Downtown Wabash Farmers' Market, visit WabashMarketplace.org/farmers-market.

Honeywell Ladies Golf Association season continues

The Tuesday Honeywell Ladies Golf Association (LGA) will begin their season with a 9 a.m. shotgun Tuesdays, according to Lana Garber. The yearly dues of \$15 will be taken then. New members are welcome. Arrive at 8:30 a.m. All Tuesday events are scrambles. Register in the clubhouse by noon Monday.

Honeywell Pool to open on a limited basis

Wabash Parks Department superintendent Adam Hall said the plan for the Mark C. Honeywell Pool was for the pool to be open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays each week. Hall said he would make the final call based on how many lifeguards are available. For more information, visit www.wabashcountymca.org.

DivorceCare meets Tuesdays

DivorceCare, a 13-week DVD series sponsored by Wabash Friends Counseling Center, features some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on topics concerning divorce and recovery, according to group leader Janet Quillen. The support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the Conference Room in the Wabash Friends Counseling Center, 3563 South State Road 13.

Wearing a mask is required when entering. Quillen and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812 S. Wabash St., on State Road 15. For more information, call 260-563-8453, 877-350-1658, email office@wabashfriends.org, call 260-571-5235 or visit www.divorcecare.org.

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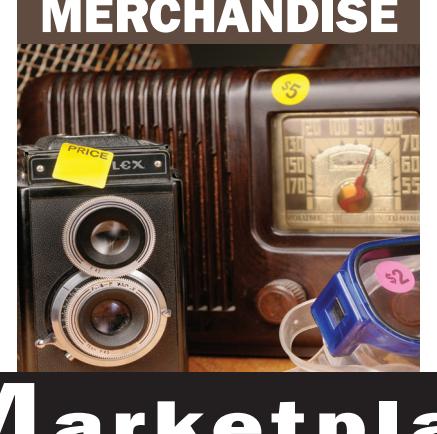
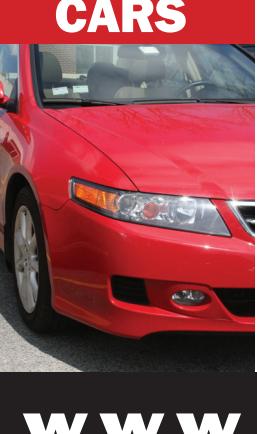
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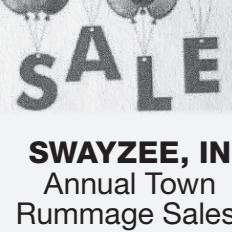
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COUNTY OF WABASH

IN THE WABASH CIRCUIT COURT

CAUSE NUMBER:
85C01-2104-JT-000008

85C01-2104-JT-000009

IN THE MATTER OF THE TERMINATION OF THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP:

CJE - DOB 9/2/2007

LEE - DOB 5/26/2011

AND

SHANE ENIX (BIOLOGICAL FATHER)
DONNA M CLARK (BIOLOGICAL MOTHER)
SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION & NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS HEARING

TO: Shane Enix
Whereabouts unknown

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the above noted parent whose whereabouts are unknown, that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed a Petition for Involuntary Termination of your Parental Rights, and that an adjudication hearing has been scheduled with the Court. YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Judge of the Wabash Circuit Court, 49 West Hill Street, Wabash, IN 46922 - 260-563-0661 for a(n) Termination Hearing on 8/10/2021 at 9:00 AM and to answer the Petition for Termination of your Parental Rights of said children. You are further notified that if the allegations in said petition are true, and/or if you fail to appear at the hearing, the Juvenile Court may terminate your parent-child relationship; and if the Court terminates your parent-child relationship you will lose all parental rights, powers, privileges, immunities, duties and obligations including any rights to custody, control, visitation, or support of said children; and if the Court terminates your parent-child relationship, it will be permanently terminated, and thereafter you may not contest an adoption or other placement of said children. You are entitled to representation by an attorney, provided by the State if applicable, throughout these proceedings to terminate the parent-child relationship. YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in person or by an attorney within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and in the event you fail to do so, adjudication on said petition and termination of your parental rights may be entered against you, in your absence, without further notice.

/s/Lori J. Draper seal

Clerk

John W. Myers, 28703-34
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403 S. Cass Street

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0900**NOTICE OF HEARING**

BEFORE THE WABASH COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF THE HEETER-BLICKENSTAFF-CREAGER
#571 REGULATED DRAIN, LOCATED IN CHESTER TOWNSHIP,
WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

To Whom It May Concern:

You are hereby notified that on the 21st day of June 2021, A HEARING will be held at 10:00 A.M. in the Office of the Wabash County Surveyor, Courthouse, 1 West Hill St., Wabash, Indiana; before the Wabash County Drainage Board on the proposed Reconstruction and Increased Annual Maintenance for the above said drain. The Plans, Engineer's Report, Surveyor's Report and the Schedule of Assessments have been filed and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Wabash County Surveyor. Not less than five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing, any owner of land affected may file with the Board a written objection to the report, plans and/or schedule of assessments.

Wabash County Drainage Board
Barry Eppley, Chairman
Dated: June 5, 2021
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0900**WABASH COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION****WABASH COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS****NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given of a public hearing before the Wabash County Board of Zoning Appeals on the 22nd day of JUNE, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the office of the Wabash County Plan Commission, top floor the Wabash County Court House, Wabash, Indiana.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider the application of JERRY AND JOYCE BRINER for SPECIAL EXCEPTION #: 8 TO CONSTRUCT A LAKE, POND, EARTHEN STRUCTURE GREATER THAN 100 SQUARE FEET IN AN AG ZONED AREA.

The geographical area affected by the changes requested is generally described as: PART OF THE SOUTH WEST 1/4 OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 29N, RANGE 7E, CHESTER TOWNSHIP, WABASH COUNTY, 3.0 ACRES

A copy of the proposal is now on file in the office of the Wabash County Plan Commission and is available for public examination. Any written objections that are filed with the secretary of the Wabash County Plan Commission prior to the hearing will be considered and, at the hearing, the Wabash County Plan Commission will consider any additional comments concerning the application. The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

NOTICE: Indiana Code 36-7-4-920 forbids any person from communicating with a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals before the hearing with the intent to influence a member's action on a matter pending before the Board.

Wabash County Plan Commission
Wabash County Courthouse
One West Hill St
Wabash, Indiana 46992
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0900**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS
HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL INCOME TAX
ORDINANCE 2021-85-06**

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Wabash County, Indiana, that the Wabash County Council will consider at the Wabash County Courthouse at 6:00 p.m. on Monday June 21, 2021 the following proposed ordinance regarding the local income tax imposed within Wabash County.

BEFORE THE WABASH COUNTY COUNCIL**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-85-06****AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING LOCAL INCOME TAX ALLOCATIONS**

On June 21, 2021, a public hearing was held to consider an ordinance (a) decreasing property tax relief rates from 0.50% to 0.40%, and (b) allocating 0.1% to the LIT Correctional Facility. Proper notice of the public hearing was provided pursuant to IC 5-3-1.

BE IT ORDAINED that, effective January 1, 2022, the local income tax rate imposed within the County shall be modified as follows:

Local Income Tax Type	Existing Rate	Proposed Rate
Property Tax Relief Rate (IC 6-3.6-5)	0.50%	0.40%
Expenditure Rate (IC 6-3.6-6-10)	2.4%	2.5%

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that, as of January 1, 2022, the previously imposed expenditure rate under IC 6-3.6-6 shall be allocated as follows:

Revenue derived from the first 0.25% of the expenditure rate shall be used to provide for distributions to school corporations and other civil taxing units in accordance with IC 6-3.6-6-3. The remaining revenue shall be allocated as follows:

Allocation Rate Category	Existing Allocation Percentage	Proposed Allocation Percentage
Public Safety	0.34%	0.34%
Economic Development	.25%	.25%
Certified Shares	1.71%	1.71%
LIT Correctional Facility	0.10%	.20%

The public safety allocation identified above includes revenue associated with an expenditure rate that was previously authorized for the purpose of funding the county's public safety access point ("PSAP"). The revenue associated with this rate shall be directed to the PSAP prior to the distribution of the remainder of the public safety revenue.

Property Tax Credit Allocation Categories (IC 6-3.6-5-6)

All Property Tax Allocation Categories	Existing Percent of Revenue	Proposed Percent of Revenue
1% Allocation Type Homestead eligible for credit under IC 6-1.1-20.6-7.5	20%	20%
Residential property, as defined in 6-1.1-20.6-4	40%	40%

Allocation Rate Category	Existing LIT Rate	Proposed LIT Rate
Public Safety (IC 6-3.6-6)	0.34%	0.34%
Local Income Tax Type	Existing PSAP Rate	Proposed PSAP Rate
Public Safety Access Point Rate	0.09%	0.09%

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that, as of January 1, 2022, the previously imposed expenditure rate under IC 6-3.6-6 shall be allocated as follows:

The expenditure rate identified above includes a rate associated with revenue to be directed to the LIT Correctional Facility. The expenditure rate being directed to the LIT Correctional Facility after adoption of this ordinance is as follows:

Allocation Rate Category	Existing Rate	Proposed Rate
Correctional Facility	0.10%	0.20%

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the rates and allocations described herein shall continue in effect until rescinded or modified.

After the public hearing, the County Council may take action on the proposed ordinance. There is no remonstrance opportunity on any action taken on the proposed ordinance. The public hearing identified above is the taxpayer's opportunity to express concerns and ask questions on the proposed ordinance.

Dated this 1st day of June, 2021.

Wabash County Council

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The purpose of the hearing is to consider the application of: CHARLES WEIKEL for VARIANCE #: 5 A VARIANCE FROM THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE TO MAKE MORE THAN 1 SELL/SPLIT OF LESS THAN 20 ACRES WITHIN A FIVE YEAR PERIOD.

The geographical area affected by the changes requested is generally described as: PART OF THE NORTH WEST 1/4 OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 28N, RANGE 5E, PAW PAW TOWNSHIP, WABASH COUNTY, 6.64 ACRES.

A copy of the proposal is now on file in the office of the Wabash County Plan Commission and is available for public examination. Any written objections that are filed with the secretary of the Wabash County Plan Commission prior to the hearing will be considered and, at the hearing, the Wabash County Plan Commission will consider any additional comments concerning the application. The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

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The purpose of the hearing is to consider the application of: NATHAN & JAMIE HAUPERT for SPECIAL EXCEPTION #: 9 TO CONSTRUCT A LAKE, POND, EARTHEN STRUCTURE GREATER THAN 100 SQUARE FEET IN AN AG ZONED AREA WITH VARIANCE FROM: THE SETBACK REQUIREMENT FOR A POND FROM AN ADJOINING PROPERTY LINE.

The geographical area affected by the changes requested is generally described as: PART OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 28N, RANGE 7E, LAGRO TOWNSHIP, WABASH COUNTY, 5.00 ACRES.

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0900**SUMMONS – SERVICE BY PUBLICATION****STATE OF INDIANA****COUNTY OF Wabash****Wabash County Circuit Court****CAUSE NUMBER: 85C01-2101-AD-000001****In Re Adoption of Z.B.****A Minor Child****NOTICE OF ADOPTION AND COURT DATE**

The State of Indiana to the defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. Donne Burrows and any interested party is notified that a petition for adoption of a child, named Zailey Burrows born to Jessica Morrisett on October 14, 2005 was filed in the office of the clerk of Wabash County Circuit Court, 59 West Hill Street, Wabash, IN 46992. The petition for adoption alleges that the consent to adoption of Donne Burrows is not required because Donne Burrows has for a period of at least one (1) year failed without justifiable cause to communicate significantly with the child when able to do so and also for a period of at least one (1) year knowingly failed to provide for the care and support of the child when able to do so as required by law or judicial decree.

If Donne Burrows seeks to contest the adoption of the child, Donne Burrows must file a motion to contest the adoption in accordance with IC 31-19-10-1 in the above named court not later than thirty (30) days after the date of service of this notice.

If Donne Burrows does not file a motion to contest the adoption within thirty (30) days after service of this notice the above named court will hear and determine the petition for adoption. The consent to adoption of Donne Burrows will be irrevocably implied and Donne Burrows will lose the right to contest either the adoption or the validity of Donne Burrows's implied consent to the adoption.

No statement made to Jessica Morrisett relieves Donne Burrows of Donne Burrows's obligations under this notice.

Girlfriend has a 'fan club' on facebook

DEAR ABBY: I've been dating the same woman for more than two years. She is a beautiful lady who has quite a few male "fans" on Facebook, mostly from before we met. What both-
ers me, and I don't understand why, is her habit of posting selfies and then loving the comments from other men about her looks. We have discussed this many times, but she can't seem to stop.

Other than this, we seem to have a healthy relationship with the occasional, normal hiccups. I would like to take it to the next level, but I can't help wondering if the Facebook habit is a sign that she needs more than what our relationship is giving her. Please advise. — Hesitant In Ohio

DEAR HESITANT: Her Facebook habit may be a sign that your lady friend is insecure — or conceited — about her looks, which is why she encourages these "fans" by "hearting" their comments. Frankly, it's sad that she needs more validation than she can get from one person, but that's the woman you're involved with. If she were seeing these men in the real world, I would say you have a serious problem. But she's not, so it shouldn't present a threat unless you make it one.

DEAR ABBY: My grandson, who I haven't seen in 10 years, is getting married to a girl I don't know. My husband, "Hank," and I are invited to the wedding. We live 1,000 miles away, so we have to book a flight, reserve a hotel and pay for all our meals.

Hank has been waiting the last three months for a date for knee surgery. Most of the time, he's in pain — especially when he walks. My daughter thinks we should postpone his surgery to attend the wedding. What do you think? — Debating In The South

DEAR DEBATING: Of course your daughter wants her father at her son's wedding. That she would be disappointed — as would the both of you — is understandable. But does she really want him there limping, wincing and in constant pain? Remind her that it has taken three months to get this surgery calendared. Tell her you will be with them in spirit on their special day, but her father's health must come first. Then stick to your guns.

DEAR ABBY: I work in a small office of 15 people. The person next to me is diabetic and wears a beeper that goes off all day long. Am I supposed to endure this annoying sound even though she can put it on vibrate? — Disturbed In Texas

DEAR DISTURBED: No, you are not. Ask your co-worker if putting her beeper on vibrate would work for her, because the sound distracts you. If she's willing to do that, your problem is solved. However, if she isn't, then it may be time to discuss this with your supervisor or employer because it may be possible to relocate your workstation to another area.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

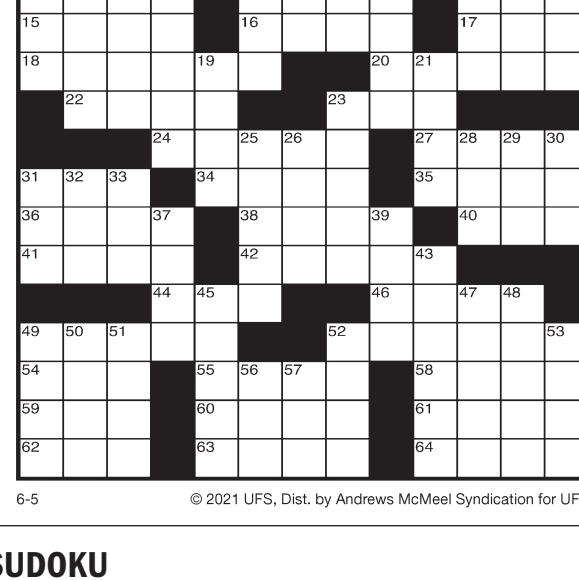
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Dear Abby



ers me, and I don't understand why, is her habit of posting selfies and then loving the comments from other men about her looks. We

have discussed this many times, but she can't seem to stop.

Other than this, we seem to have a healthy relationship with the occasional, normal hiccups. I would like to take it to the next level, but I can't help wondering if the Facebook habit is a sign that she needs more than what our relationship is giving her. Please advise. — Hesitant In Ohio

DEAR HESITANT: Her Facebook habit may be a sign that your lady friend is insecure — or conceited — about her looks, which is why she encourages these "fans" by "hearting" their comments. Frankly, it's sad that she needs more validation than she can get from one person, but that's the woman you're involved with. If she were seeing these men in the real world, I would say you have a serious problem. But she's not, so it shouldn't present a threat unless you make it one.

DEAR ABBY: My grandson, who I haven't seen in 10 years, is getting married to a girl I don't know. My husband, "Hank," and I are invited to the wedding. We live 1,000 miles away, so we have to book a flight, reserve a hotel and pay for all our meals.

Hank has been waiting the last three months for a date for knee surgery. Most of the time, he's in pain — especially when he walks. My daughter thinks we should postpone his surgery to attend the wedding. What do you think? — Debating In The South

DEAR DEBATING: Of course your daughter wants her father at her son's wedding. That she would be disappointed — as would the both of you — is understandable. But does she really want him there limping, wincing and in constant pain? Remind her that it has taken three months to get this surgery calendared. Tell her you will be with them in spirit on their special day, but her father's health must come first. Then stick to your guns.

DEAR ABBY: I work in a small office of 15 people. The person next to me is diabetic and wears a beeper that goes off all day long. Am I supposed to endure this annoying sound even though she can put it on vibrate? — Disturbed In Texas

DEAR DISTURBED: No, you are not. Ask your co-worker if putting her beeper on vibrate would work for her, because the sound distracts you. If she's willing to do that, your problem is solved. However, if she isn't, then it may be time to discuss this with your supervisor or employer because it may be possible to relocate your workstation to another area.

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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THAT SCRABLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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Another round?

I've got this, buddy!

Thanks, pal! I know of a little house to bug tomorrow.

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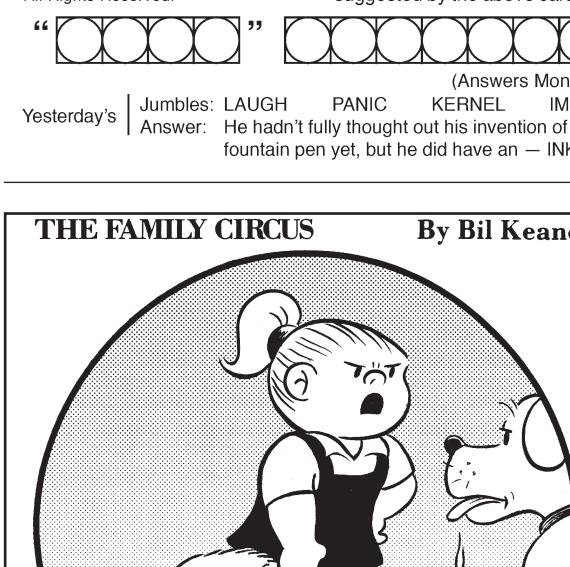
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Yesterday's Jumbles: LAUGH PANIC KERNEL IMPORT

Answer: He hadn't fully thought out his invention of the fountain pen yet, but he did have an — INKLING

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By Bil Keane



“See what PJ learned from you?”

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TRYING TO TRICK THE REAL BIGFOOT TO COME OUT...

I AGREE THAT'S WHY I ALSO BUILT A TRAP WITH LIVE BAIT.

ISN'T THAT LICE?

PET SHOP BOY

I WANT MY GUINEA PIG BACK...PRONTO.

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Northfield continues its success at regionals

Semi-state play against South Central set for Saturday at Frankfort

By CLAY MAXFIELD

Wabash Plain Dealer Freelance Reporter

Northfield's varsity softball team has had their fair share of winning this postseason after rolling through sectional play and doubling down with a shutout victory over Fremont on Thursday to give them a regional championship as well.

The Norsemen took care of the Fremont Eagles with ease after a 12-0 win, a game in which Northfield scored 10 runs in the second and third innings combined while Abigail Hunter controlled from the mound with six strikeouts.

From the perspective of Northfield head coach Brandon Baker, he touched on the continual upward trajectory that his team has taken throughout the season.

"They've really come together and played very good ball," Baker said. "Throughout the whole year, I thought our defense continually got better a lot quicker than our offense did. Now, they're starting to understand that every pitch matters and having good quality at-bats."

Offensively, Northfield has averaged nearly six and a half runs this postseason while holding their



Addy Rosen adjusts her helmet during last month's game against Western.

Photo by Clay Maxfield / Plain Dealer

opponents to just one and a half with two shutout wins in their four postseason games.

During sectional play, Northfield beat the likes of North Miami (4-2), Caston (7-4) and West Central (2-0) in the championship game.

However, their offense to defense ratio hasn't come easy as Baker pointed out their competition in sectionals and regionals

weren't pushovers.

"We had a tough sectional. We had number two, three and four in our sectional and we had to beat them all to win it and now we play number one in semi-state so hopefully, they understand that it can be done," he said.

The South Central Satellites (25-5) will stand as Northfield's next test as the Norsemen will look

to continue their postseason run on Saturday when they take on a team that will give them all they can handle in the batter's box.

South Central comes equipped with senior pitcher Holly Noveroske who averages a 2.22 earned run average (ERA) while junior Lauren Bowmar has recorded a 1.37 ERA this season. Both pitchers have combined for a 23-5

Boggs signs to Mount Saint Joseph

STAFF REPORT

Bryant Boggs has signed a letter of intent to play football at Mount Saint Joseph, according to Wabash High School athletic director Floyd McWhirt.

Boggs was a four-year letter winner for the Wabash Apaches football program. He also played basketball and baseball for four years.

Boggs' high school accomplishments are:

- 2020 Football All-TRC WR
- 2019 Football All-County First Team Offense
- 2020 Football All-County First Team Offense
- 2020 Football All-State Honorable Mention

Boggs' extra-curricular activities include Key Club and Campus Life.

Boggs plans to obtain a degree in sports management.

"Congratulations to Bryant Boggs for continuing his athletic career at the next level," said McWhirt.

Provided photo

Bryant Boggs signs a letter of intent to play football at Mount Saint Joseph.



Shank takes slow road to Indy 500 winners circle

By JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Michael Shank was so determined to expand his racing operation into IndyCar that he went ahead and bought a car for the 2012 season. But then he couldn't get an engine or even a call back from the series as he desperately tried to put together a team.

Shank eventually had to sell the car because it was useless without an engine supplier, and it took another five years to get a car with his name associated with it into the Indianapolis 500.

The steps he's taken since have been slow and deliberate and the payoff was bigger than anything he could have dreamed. Meyer Shank Racing won its first ever IndyCar race last weekend, 10 years after Shank first tried to launch the team.

It just happened to be the Indianapolis 500.

"I grew up in Columbus, Ohio, three hours from here," Shank said. "We used to get the Indianapolis Star for the month, my dad and I. We would listen about Unser, Andretti, Rahal and just dream. The minute I got out of high school, (I) started driving race cars, trying to find a way to get to this place, and how to win it."

Helio Castroneves delivered the victory — it was the record-tying fourth Indy 500



Mykal McEldowney / IndyStar / AP

Meyer Shank Racing driver Helio Castroneves (center) celebrates with team owners Mike Shank (right) and Jim Meyer after winning the Indianapolis 500.

win for the Brazilian — in a part-time ride for the team. It was only during last year's pandemic-plagued season that Shank finally had the manpower and resources to run Jack Harvey for a full IndyCar schedule and this year the team had some flexibility to go even bigger.

Jim Meyer, an Indianapolis native, diehard Indy 500 fan and recently retired CEO of SiriusXM Radio, had bought an interest in Shank's team and mapped out a plan at Big Woods restaurant on Main Street in Speedway across from the track. MSR is a customer of Andretti Technologies — it receives technical support, Shank explained, but is absolutely independent and not an extension of the Andretti

organization — and Harvey had been making notable on-track progress.

To take the next steps, though, Shank and Meyer felt the team needed to function as two cars at Indianapolis and Castroneves was available. They signed the 46-year-old to a six-race deal with Indy as the first event.

"I can tell you we believed from the very beginning Helio could get a fourth," Meyer said. "I will also tell you until I got directly involved, after attending the event for 37 straight years, I failed to grasp how hard it is to win this race, just how many things have to go right, how hard you work to get everything prepared."

Shank since 2004 has run

a successful IMSA sports car program and in 2012 celebrated the top prize in American sports car competition with a Rolex 24 at Daytona victory. The team this year became an Acura factory-backed program that will be eligible to compete in the 24 Hours of Le Mans in 2023.

But nothing he'd accomplished to date compared to the feeling of Castroneves crossing the finish line to give a little team an improbable Indy 500 victory. Shank hurdled the speedway walls to get to Castroneves and join the fence-climbing celebration, hoping the entire time he wouldn't fall.

By the time he'd made it to post-race interviews, he'd already received a congratulatory call from Jim France, chairman of both IMSA and NASCAR. It was a far cry from 10 years ago when he couldn't even get an engine.

"For me it's about respect. I fight for it. I have to prove it all the time," Shank said. "I feel like we have to prove ourselves all the time. I'm hoping that this is the start of just a continued solid program."

"I don't want to have a six-car team. I want to do two at some point at a high level and I'm good, take care of our sponsors and partners really well. I hope this result you're asking me about lands me at that."

record with Noveroske tallying 16 of the 23 total wins.

"They're a good team," Baker said. "Looking at their stats, they all hit well. They've got a very good pitcher (Holly Noveroske). ... She's one of the best pitchers we are going to see all season. You expect that when you get to this point in the season. They hit all the way up and down the lineup."

As a team, South Central puts together a .424 batting average while being led by three players who bat over .500 in Olivia Marks, Delanie Gale and Mackenzie Lenze. The three aforementioned batters have over 60 at-bat appearances each.

Baker believes that for his team's season to continue they will need to rely on a mixture of their team's defense along with a concentrated effort on offense from top to bottom.

"One thing that Abby does a great job of is she doesn't try to strike everybody out. So, our defense then is going to have to work and be solid. If we can do that, we're going to have a good chance. ... For us, we need to hit one through nine and be a threat all the way up and down the offense," Baker said.

Northfield's first round of semi-state play against South Central takes place Saturday at Frankfort High School. The first pitch is scheduled for 1 p.m.

Clay Maxfield, Wabash Plain Dealer freelance reporter, may be reached by email at sports@wabashplaindealer.com.

'Formidable group' of horses finish Triple Crown at Belmont

By STEPHEN WHYNO

Associated Press

Carthy said. "You don't have a real winner of the Kentucky Derby yet. You don't know how that plays out, but if someone's lucky enough to be winning two of the three legs of the Triple Crown, it gives them an awfully big advantage to anybody else, any other 3-year-old at this time of the year."

Some other things to know about the Belmont:

Confident Cox

Trainer Brad Cox, who could "win" his first Kentucky Derby with Mandaloun if Medina Spirit is disqualified as expected, is optimistic Essential Quality can rebound from a fourth-place finish five weeks ago and make his case in the Belmont. Essential Quality opened as the 2-1 favorite, and rival trainers believe the gray is the horse to beat.

Cox isn't cocky, but he's confident.

"I feel like we're in a great spot with this colt," Cox said. "He's seemed to have won all of his races in different ways. He's able to set off a hot pace or lay close to the pace or however he's able to adapt. He's a racehorse, bottom line."

Early leaders?

Jockey Luis Saez might have to adapt while riding Essential Quality because part of the fun and anticipation of the Belmont is no one knows how the 1 1/2-mile race is going to play out. Japan-based France Go de Ina seems incapable of having an uneventful trip to the track and is a wild card, and without Baffert there's no trainer expected to want his horse to go to the lead and set the pace.

Rock Your World is the likeliest candidate to jump out to the lead, and is a chic Belmont pick given his pedigree — as long as he gets a better run than his 17th place Derby result.

"He's got a lot of natural speed," assistant trainer Juan Leyva said. "I think he'll like (the distance). He's a big, lanky colt. I think he's going to do just fine."

There's also some jockey drama mixed in. Flavien Prat jumped off Rombauer despite winning the Preakness to rejoin Hot Rod Charlie, and Known Agenda's rider is TBD after Irad Ortiz took a nasty spill Thursday.



Church Directory

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Gospel Light Assembly of God, 347 Southwood Drive. Pastor Neil Jeffrey. Sunday School 9:45am (all ages). Morning worship service 10:30am. Evening service 6pm. Wednesday midweek service 7pm; Kids' Korral Wednesday 7pm. Youth meeting 7pm (ages 12-19).

Sweetwater Assembly of God, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.

BAPTIST

Emmanuel Free Will Baptist, 129 Southwood Drive. Pastor Terry Hinds. (260) 563-3009. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday Worship 10:30am & 6pm; Children's Church 10:30am. Wednesday morning prayer service 11am. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm. Transportation available. Sunday worship services streaming on our Facebook page

Southside Free Will Baptist, 360 Columbus Street. Pastor Tim Webb. Sunday School 10am. Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6pm. Sunday worship services streaming online

Wabash Free Will Baptist Church, 1056 Erie Street. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 6pm. Sunday School 10am, Church 11am; evening service 6pm.

CATHOLIC

St. Bernard Catholic Church, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Father Levi Nkwocha. Masses: Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m. Face masks and social distancing required.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Main Street in Lagro, Welcomes You Back! New Service Time 11:00 AM Sunday, October 4, Sunday November 1 and Sunday December 6. In keeping with COVID-19 State Rules, please wear a mask and socially distance. Let Us Worship Together.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Christian Heritage Church, 2776 River Road. (260) 569-7710. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. Online services on Sunday at 10:30 am and Wednesday 6:00 pm



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John 15:18-16:15	John 16:16-33	Romans 15:1-13	1 Cor. 15:1-11	1 Cor. 15:12-34	1 Cor. 15:35-58	1 Peter 1:1-25
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CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.

CHURCH OF GOD

First Church of God, 525 N. Miami Street. Pastor Robert Rensberger. (260) 563-5346. Sunday School at 9:15am, for all ages. Continental breakfast at 10am. Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am. Nursery care is available during worship service. Stair lift available.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus... Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.

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Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Stephen Eberhard, Transitional minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: www.wabashchristian.org. Worship Service 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on YouTube and Facebook. Services streaming on our website and Facebook.

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Wabash Friends Church, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

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Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlcwabash@gmail.com.

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Richvalley United Methodist Church, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.



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